

The Rocky Hill Town Council held its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, October 20, 2014 in the Council Chambers of Town Hall. Mayor Henry Vassel called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance: Deputy Mayor Nadine Bell, Councilor Meg Casasanta, Councilor Joe Kochanek, Councilor Bill MacDonald, Councilor Tim Moriarty, Councilor Frank Szeps and Councilor Cathy Vargas. Also present: Town Manager Guy Scaife and Finance Director John Mehr.

Those absent: Councilor Guy Drapeau.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Vassel asked for a Moment of Silence to be observed.

Public Comment

Mayor Vassel asked if there was anyone from the public who wished to speak at this time. There was no one who wished to.

Appointments/Resignations

Mayor Vassel said he is going to appoint a Liaison Committee and then he is going to make a couple of comments about the Charter Revision Committee. There will be a Liaison Committee for the Miracle League Field and that will be made up of Brian Dillon (Board of Education), Allan Greenspan (Parks and Recreation) and Dave Sevigny (Little League). That Committee will be reporting to the Government Operations Committee.

The Charter Revision Committee will be made up of both the Majority and the Minority Parties. Mayor Vassel told the public that if any of them would like to be on this for them to e-mail Town Manager Scaife, who will hold all of the applications and also confirm that he has received these e-mails so that the public will know their e-mails have been received. Mayor Vassel is thinking of having five members on this Committee, of which three will be Democrats and two will be Republicans. Councilor Moriarty asked if the Chairs of the Town Parties have been contacted. Mayor Vassel said he hasn't contacted them. He talked to Town Manager Scaife who talked to the Town Attorney about if they could accept people because the public has been sending him e-mails stating they are interested in wanting to serve on this. Councilor Moriarty said this Committee needs to be picked by the two Town Parties but he will check this out again. Mayor Vassel said that is fine. Councilor Moriarty thinks that the two Chairs of the Town Committees need to be notified out of respect to them. Mayor Vassel said absolutely and the two Chairs can be notified. Mayor Vassel also mentioned again about the public submitting their credentials to Town Manager Scaife. Town Manager Scaife said he will notify the Chairs of the two Town Parties. Councilor Moriarty thinks there should be a timeframe. He said Mayor Vassel and Town Manager Scaife could pick this. Mayor Vassel would like to get this up and running by this November and Councilor Moriarty thinks this should be for after January 1, 2015 because of the

holidays coming up, etc. Mayor Vasel said for them to see how many people they get and he told Town Manager Scaife that they could accept people's names until November 20, 2014. Deputy Mayor Bell said there will only be one Town Council meeting in November because of the Election Day. Mayor Vasel suggested a cutoff date of whatever the date of that meeting is for accepting the public's names. Finance Director Mehr said that meeting will be held on November 17, 2014. Mayor Vasel said that will give them four weeks.

Councilor MacDonald said he had one quick question relating to the Charter Revision Committee assuming that they will have more than five applicants for this. He asked what the process will be for selecting the three Democrats and the two Republicans. Mayor Vasel said this will be a majority vote from the Town Council. Councilor Moriarty said he wasn't told that and he said that he will look into this. Mayor Vasel said that is fine. Councilor MacDonald hopes that the Minority Party will have input as to who will be on this Committee. He told them if this is going to be a six to three vote then the Democrats could pick all five members of this Committee. Councilor MacDonald doesn't understand how that would be the best for the taxpayers. Mayor Vasel asked Town Manager Scaife to seek an opinion from the Town Attorney about this. Town Manager Scaife said from a process standpoint that this is to be staffed with members from each of the Parties with a simple majority of the Party that is in power. There would be three Democrats and two Republicans if this Committee has five members. Councilor MacDonald understands about the division of the five but he said that it won't be up to them (Republicans) as to who will get on this. This could easily be a six to three vote from the Republicans picking what Democrats they want on this Committee versus the Town Chair going through the Town Committee and proposing two names, if the Republicans are allowed two spots. Town Manager Scaife said the Statute for this is very clear about each Party getting to make recommendations but the Town Council must accept recommendations from the floor with each one being voted on individually. He had this verified with the Town Counsel today. There are two elements of this. The Town Charter will lay out a portion of this but the Statute will regulate the remainder of it. Councilor MacDonald asked if the five member count has found to be successful in the Towns that have recently gone through a Town Charter revision or if there would be a larger count in order to get more input. Mayor Vasel said this could be from five to fifteen members. Councilor Moriarty said they don't want fifteen. Mayor Vasel thinks that five is sufficient but he said they could talk about having seven. He asked the Town Council if they had any thoughts about this or he said they could wait until they get all of the applications to see how many they get. Councilor Moriarty thinks they have to decide on the number before they get the applications in. Councilor MacDonald will feel more comfortable with seven members compared to five. He said that the only reason he is saying this is because a lot of times the people who are volunteering get tied up. He told the Town Council that they even have meetings where all of the Councilors can't make them. The Charter revision is a critical thing so they probably won't have a meeting if a couple of people out of the five members are out but he thinks they will have a better chance of having a larger group of a representative sample of the community if they have seven members. Councilor Moriarty thinks the public would be more represented if they have seven members rather than five. Deputy Mayor Bell, Councilor Kochanek, Councilor Szeps and Councilor Vargas all agreed. Councilor Casasanta mentioned how there had been five members for the Town Charter revision that had just been done in Newington and she said that she is good with five or seven. Either ratio would be fair. Mayor Vasel said he has no problem with seven members.

Councilor Moriarty made a motion that the Charter Revision Committee will have seven members (between the Democrats and Republicans). The motion was seconded by Councilor MacDonald.

Mayor Vasel said he didn't think they needed a motion on this. Councilor Moriarty said that he could make a motion anytime he wants to. Mayor Vasel thought this item would have to be added to the agenda in order for a motion to be made. Mayor Vasel thought they could all agree that this will be seven. Councilor Szeps said seven will be good. He explained that these meetings will be held in public so the public can contribute to these meetings without being a member on this. It is just the Charter Revision Committee that will go through the document.

Approval of Minutes

A. Council Meeting – October 6, 2014

Deputy Mayor Bell made a motion to approve the Minutes of the October 6, 2014 meeting of the Town Council. The motion was seconded by Councilor Szeps and adopted by those present with Councilor Moriarty abstaining. (Councilor Drapeau was absent.)

Subcommittee Reports

A. Finance

Councilor Vargas said there was a meeting of the Finance Committee on October 15, 2014. She wanted everyone to know that \$18,100,000 of general obligation bonds at a rate of 2.76% were issued on October 15, 2014 by the William Blair Company. The first interest payment will be made in October 2015 and the principle and interest will be paid in April 2016.

There had been a discussion at that meeting about the Legal Bills. Councilor Vargas said that Finance Director Mehr had given the Finance Committee a little history as to why the Town Council had been reviewing the Legal Bills. This had to do with some issues that had happened in 1990 when these had been a little bit high so the Town Council had felt the need to have these reviewed. Town Manager Scaife is going to be asking the Town Attorney to submit the Legal Bills by Town department. Town Manager Scaife will then go to each department and have them review the Legal Bills, as well as approve them. The Legal Bills will then go to Town Manager Scaife for the final approval so there will be no need for the Town Council to do this in the future. Councilor Vargas thinks that the Finance Committee and/or Town Council will get summaries as to an overall view of the Legal Bills but there will be no need for the Town Council to approve them in the future.

B. Public Safety

Deputy Mayor Bell said there was a meeting of the Public Safety Committee prior to this evening's Town Council one. The RHVAA will be holding a food drive at Stop and Shop on November 15, 2014, November 16, 2014, November 22, 2014 and November 23, 2014 for the benefit of the Human Services Food Bank.

The Microwave Radio Project of the RHPD will hopefully be done by January 1, 2015 and this is well underway.

The RHFD and the RHVAA will both be getting new protective gear for infectious diseases. Deputy Mayor Bell said a lot of this is because of the recent Ebola, etc. issues.

The RHVAA has been using a Polaris UTV at soccer games and at RHHS football games, as well as for off-road emergencies (i.e. sandpits and Motocross, etc.). This has received some positive feedback.

The next meeting of this Committee will be held on the third Monday in November.

C. Government Operations Committee

Deputy Mayor Bell said there isn't a scheduled Government Operations Committee meeting in November because of the fact that this will be the Monday before Election Day and there won't be a Town Council meeting that night either. Deputy Mayor Bell suspects that a special meeting of the Government Operations Committee might have to be called if something comes up with the Rocky Hill High School Renovate As New project and she will get that information out to that Committee's members. Councilor Moriarty said he won't be available and the week of Thanksgiving is the only time he would be able to attend a meeting. Deputy Mayor Bell confirmed with Councilor Moriarty that that would be for the whole month of November and Councilor Moriarty said yes. Deputy Mayor Bell said there hasn't been an expressed need as of this time but she told Councilor Moriarty that she will call him should there be one and they can try to figure out a time to have that meeting.

D. Land Acquisition & Farmland Preservation

Councilor Szeps said there was a meeting of the Open Space Land Acquisition & Farmland Preservation Subcommittee this evening but he didn't have good news about the Hayes property at this time. The closing for the Hayes Farm was supposed to be today but this has been postponed for another week. He had been hoping to bring them the news this evening that the Hayes property has been closed on but it hasn't been.

Councilor Szeps said that he and Councilor Kochanek will be meeting with Planimetrics which will be putting the Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD) together for Rocky Hill. Councilor Szeps said this will be for them to hopefully add language to the document with regards to farmland preservation because it currently doesn't have that. This would be standard language that other POCDs have. They will be talking with Planimetrics to have Town Council input into this.

Elisabeth Moore (CT Farmland Trust) will be invited to a meeting of this Subcommittee because she will be working with them on their plan to pursue their next project for the farmland preservation effort.

E. Senior Affairs Committee

Councilor Vargas said there was a meeting of the Senior Affairs Committee at 5:00 p.m. tonight. They started discussing the survey results. She said that before they can go further with this that Town Manager Scaife will be in the process of reviewing all of the space in the Town buildings on the Town campus as to how it is utilized and to compare that with what has come out of the senior survey. Councilor Vargas said that this will then be compared to what has come out of the senior survey and they will then go from there. Councilor MacDonald asked if there is a way to get the Town Council a copy of the accumulation of that data. He realizes that they have to look at building space, etc. but he would be interested to know what the survey stated. Councilor Vargas said yes.

Consent Agenda

Deputy Mayor Bell made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilor Moriarty and adopted unanimously by those present. (Councilor Drapeau was absent.)

A. Approval – Legal Bills

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town Council/Finance Committee hereby authorizes the payment of the following legal bills for services rendered.

Rome McGuigan, P.C.	\$20,641.43 (July)
	\$14,912.32 (Aug)
-holds from May/June Bills	\$ 1,496.00
 Joseph Fasi LLC	 \$ 0.00
 <u>TOTAL</u>	 <u>\$37,049.75</u>

Other Services:

New Business

A. Discussion and Possible Action – Proposed Ordinance: Exemption for Horses and Ponies

Mayor Vassel asked Town Manager Scaife or Finance Director Mehr if they had anything with regards to this. Finance Director Mehr said recent Statutes have been passed by the Legislature which will allow the Towns to exempt horses and ponies from taxation as personal property if they so desire. He said the Town Assessor, Stuart Topliff, is requesting that Rocky Hill implement this. Rocky Hill has only has two horses. Finance Director Mehr referred to the memorandum that Stuart Topliff has prepared with regards to this. This memorandum summarizes what he is asking for. Finance Director Mehr believes that the Town Council has to set a public hearing for its next meeting and then have it moved forward. Mayor Vassel asked if

this will be held at 6:30 p.m. or 6:45 p.m. Finance Director Mehr said that 6:45 p.m. will be fine. Mayor Vasel said they needed a motion for the public hearing.

Deputy Mayor Bell made a motion to set a public hearing for November 17, 2014 at 6:45 p.m. for the Proposed Ordinance: Exemption for Horses and Ponies. The motion was seconded by Councilor Moriarty and adopted by those present with Councilor Szeps abstaining. (Councilor Drapeau was absent.)

B. Rocky Hill Teachers' Association Contract

Mayor Vasel asked if there were any comments or questions on this. (Please see the attachment.) Councilor MacDonald appreciated the good summary of changes to the contract that they had received today that Jennifer Allison (Chair of the Board of Education's Personnel and Negotiations Committee) had put together. Councilor MacDonald thinks there will be substantial savings in the long term to the Town. All new teachers will be moved to an HAS, which is a contribution rate of 12.5%. They are already contributing 17% to 20%. He said that historically, they could just have let this expire and it would go into effect automatically. He mentioned that he hadn't been on the Town Council when that had happened. This is a very fair contract on both sides from what he read in the detailed contract. He commended Jennifer Allison and the entire Board of Education for the work they had done on this. He also encouraged Town Manager Scaife to look at the details of this because he thinks there are many details on the Board of Education's side that could be substantial savings on the Town's side if they were to adopt some of the contract language.

Mayor Vasel asked if there were any other comments and there were none.

C. Resolution for Small Business Saturday

Councilor Szeps made a motion to approve the Resolution – "Small Business Saturday". The motion was seconded by Councilor Moriarty and adopted unanimously by those present. (Councilor Drapeau was absent.)

The Town of Rocky Hill acknowledges the social and economic value of shopping local and shopping small.

The Town of Rocky Hill wishes to recognize Small Business Saturday as the Saturday following Black Friday and before Cyber Monday.

The Town of Rocky Hill wishes to encourage all of our citizens to shop at local, small businesses that day.

The Town Council of the Town of Rocky Hill declares Saturday, November 29, 2014 as Small Business Saturday and extends best wishes to all participating small business enterprises in Town.

Before this motion was voted on, Mayor Vassel read it aloud and in full. He thinks this is a great thing and it is an opportunity for them to keep their dollars in the Town that they live in. He hopes that everyone will think about supporting their local Town businesses as much as possible.

Mayor Vassel asked if there was any discussion or comments and there were none.

At this point, the motion was voted on.

Mayor Vassel asked for a motion to have the Mayor's Report and Town Manager's Report moved up now and then they could do the Executive Session.

Councilor Moriarty made a motion to have Item X. (Mayor's Report) and Item XI. (Town Manager's Report) moved up ahead of Item IX. A. (Executive Session – Discussion of Personnel and Organizational Related Matters in Executive Session Pursuant to C.G.S. Sec 1-200 (6)(A) with the Town Manager). The motion was seconded by Councilor MacDonald and adopted unanimously by those present. (Councilor Drapeau was absent.)

Mayor's Report

Four Girl Scouts in Town have received the Silver Award as of yesterday. Mayor Vassel explained what the Silver Award, which is one of the highest honors in Girl Scouts, is. This award involves a process that can be completed as a team or alone that creates an impact in the community. Lilah Kelly and Katherine Stockman made fleece blankets for the Hole In The Wall Gang Camp. They went to Jo-Ann Fabrics after looking for sales and they stocked up their shopping carts. They also had received donations while they were in line to help pay for the blankets. Amanda Mitchell held an activity at the Cora J. Belden Library for children to encourage them to get off screen time and do a hands-on activity related to computer games. She had noticed that kids were using tablets, etc. more and more so she tried to get them involved in playing computer types of games. She used marshmallows like Angry Birds for example. Christiana Montalbano made a PowerPoint presentation to capture a trip that the Girl Scout Troop had taken to Savannah, Georgia in order to visit the birthplace of Juliette Gordon Low, the founder of the Girl Scouts. This presentation, which was very good, had been done on a laptop that was five years old. Mayor Vassel said the Town Council and the residents wanted to congratulate them.

Councilor Kochanek asked Mayor Vassel or anyone if they had a status on the foundry. Mayor Vassel said he didn't and Councilor Szeps said that he didn't either. Mayor Vassel said that the last he knew about this is that Ray Carpentino (Economic Development Director) is working on a question from a resident. Mayor Vassel said there were some environmental concerns the last he knew but that had been a while ago. Councilor Kochanek said there is the interest of Tulisano Park and that doesn't seem to be going anywhere yet. The Foundry is moving towards demolition and construction but he said that seems to have "fallen in a hole there someplace". Mayor Vassel said this is a private developer. Councilor Kochanek said the Town has an interest in this though. Mayor Vassel said absolutely and he said that he doesn't think they want Tulisano Park until the developer completes the project. Councilor Kochanek asked where the Foundry is with regards to it going forward. Mayor Vassel said this is being worked on and he asked Town

Manager Scaife if he could get an answer. Town Manager Scaife said he met last week with the Foundry owner and he will be having a debriefing by Planning and Code Enforcement Officials this Thursday to help him get up-to-speed on this property. He told them that they will have an update but he is in the process of learning about this. Councilor Moriarty said there is still some litigation with this that is going on in Court but the lawsuits will be dropped hopefully.

Town Manager's Report

Town Manager Scaife said there were some significant happenings going on in Rocky Hill last week. Probably the most important is that the old Ames property was closed on and there is a new owner of it. The Town will be working with this new owner in the weeks and months to come. At this point, there are no preliminary plans but they will be working with those. The new owner met with the Planning and Zoning Commission to talk about coming back at a later date.

On Saturday evening, there had been a very successful Fall Fest. Town Manager Scaife said it was an outstanding event and a lot of citizens were there.

For activities, Town Manager Scaife told the Town Council that they had a document in their packets with regards to the year-to-date budget. This is just a snapshot. He is working with the Staff to have this revamped. This form isn't the final one and the one that will be coming next will have more information from an historical standpoint, as well as what percent has been used. He explained some more. He also mentioned how there are forty-seven or forty-eight accounts now and that is a lot to try to understand. He has been working with the Department Heads and they have gotten agreement with regards to collapsing approximately nine of these already. He explained some more about this. This will get better over time.

Town Manager Scaife said his next item is for the public really. He has found situations in his review where the Town is going on private property to pick up solid waste items (i.e. rubbish) and to deliver things (i.e. compost). This is a nice service he said but he has problems justifying that it is appropriate for the Town to leave the street and go on private property. There are liabilities when vehicles or personnel are taken off of the public roads and this is also competing with businesses that would come to pick these products up. A very small number of residents use these services. The vast majority of the residents take large components of rubbish to the transfer station. He told people to come to him if they have gotten this service in the past but they are calling for it now and getting pushed back. He will be glad to discuss why this change is going to be done. It is critical that they have services which will be available to all of the public with a good rationale as to why these services are offered and it is critical that the Town doesn't put itself in a position of liability.

The Town Council had passed a Noise Ordinance on September 15, 2014. Town Manager Scaife said there are expectations in the public as to how and when, etc. this may be implemented but he wants to reset the clock as to the expectations. There was a thirty day period for an appeal process after this was approved. This Ordinance has been forwarded now to the Commissioner of DEEP (Department of Energy and Environmental Protection) because it is a State mandate that this must be approved by the Commissioner before it becomes law. The

Town had worked with the Commissioner in advance and they got a preapproval but the Commissioner's Office has to approve the final product. It will probably be a few weeks before they get this approval back. They are also working internally with Staff and Counsel to make sure that they are ready to implement the monitoring and the adherence to this Ordinance. A couple of areas are challenging. It gets very difficult when then get into non-stationary noise (i.e. a lawnmower). The State has very tight regulations on stationary items. He mentioned that the Staff and Counsel are being worked with to make sure that they will have good clarity when they do begin enforcement as to what they can or can't do. This way they can avoid some potential legal situation that is unfortunate for all of them down the road. He told the Town Council that he will keep them informed about all of this. Last weekend, he had communications with a resident who was hoping that this could be implemented by the end of this month. He hadn't been aware of the approval specifically or some of the issues so he will be getting back to that resident tomorrow probably. He told the public to contact him if they have any concerns or questions because they want to do this right the first time out.

Town Manager Scaife said he wanted to ask the Town Council for guidance with regards to a process issue that has to do with Meeting Minutes versus Working Notes. He told the Town Council that he is sure that they are probably aware about how the Statute regulates Minutes but it doesn't recognize Working Notes, which are a creation of this Town. The Statute mandates that Minutes must be out and available within forty-eight hours, at least in draft form. He understands in the past that the restricted version of Minutes (which had who was in attendance, the time the meeting started, and the actions taken) have been published very promptly but then the Working Notes came at a later date. He believes that there is a lot of rework in that and they meet the "letter of the law" but he doesn't think that it is very informative to the public to have the first document out within forty-eight hours. He told the Town Council that he wants their permission to go to a set of sufficiently complete Minutes to meet the public needs but to have this done within forty-eight hours. Some of the content will have to be taken out in some of the Minutes (Working Notes) that have been published though. Some of these have been very lengthy. He said he had spoken to Jo-Anne Booth earlier today and there is almost no feedback that they are getting with regards to corrections on these. Town Manager Scaife believes that really long Minutes have a reverse effect with people looking at them. The law is that all substantive content be captured and this is certainly in the actions. They will also have the ability to archive the audio recording of these Minutes in perpetuity. He said it seems to him that they will be able to accomplish what they want to do with a more economical method if they do a good job of archiving the audio like they do for the paper copy (of the Minutes). They will have to certainly have communications with the other Town Committees about this. The Planning and Zoning Commission is one that probably has the most depth of discussion which is on a continuous basis. He would like to try this as an efficiency opportunity.

Mayor Vasel asked the Town Council if they had any comments. Councilor Moriarty said he is happy with the way the Minutes are. Mayor Vasel thinks they have been pretty lengthy. Councilor Moriarty said they are but that is what the meeting was. Mayor Vasel understood but he said that he sees Town Manager Scaife's point because they didn't have the video of meetings in the past. He said the Minutes would get done a lot quicker with what is being proposed now because they have been approving Minutes that are five months old, etc. so he thinks they should give this a try. Mayor Vasel asked if any other Councilors had comments. Councilor Szeps said

yes to this. Councilor Casasanta said she is in support of the restructuring of this since they have full audio available. Councilor Moriarty said the audio has been lost at times. Councilor Casasanta asked Jo-Anne Booth if she is responsible for tape recording these meetings and Jo-Anne Booth said she isn't.

Councilor MacDonald asked if Jo-Anne Booth would just be taking down what the key actions are at meetings or if she would still be keeping verbatim notes. Town Manager Scaife said this will be something between very abbreviated Minutes and what they have today. He referred to what the law is again with regards to all of the actions and the substantive comments being captured. The Minutes are being kept in the vault currently and this audio would also be kept in the vault now so in his mind, this would become a permanent part of the record. Councilor MacDonald asked about a copy of the audio being provided at the Cora J. Belden Library also because a lot of people go there to look at the Minutes now. Town Manager Scaife said they could certainly do this. Councilor MacDonald asked if they could try this one time to see if they like the actual result of the product and they could then see if they have to tweak this or not. He is all in favor of getting a clear and concise focus but he doesn't want to lose some of the key differences, etc. or key discussions they have had that are really important for the public to read. He doesn't think that one page is right for Minutes, nor does he think that forty-four pages, for example, are right. He suggested if there would be something in between that then they can try this to see how they like the format. Mayor Vassel suggested that they try a couple.

Councilor Moriarty said this will come down to one person deciding what is or what isn't in the Minutes. He explained that a lot of times they don't remember what had happened once they get the Minutes. He agrees that these have been lengthy and this is costing them money, etc. but he doesn't want anything to be lost. He referred to what Councilor MacDonald had said and he said that more people read the Minutes than they think do. Councilor Moriarty said one reason that they might not have too many comments is because of the fact that everything is in the Minutes.

Mayor Vassel suggested they try it this way and they can always ask for this to be done the old way if this is not what they are looking for. Councilor Kochanek said they should have both sets of Minutes done one time since they are doing a trial so that they can compare what it is that they have been getting to this new system. This way they would have a comparative because they don't have anything to compare right now. They could get the regular set they normally would get and then they could be shown the abbreviated version to see if it is acceptable. They will have both sets in front of them this way and they could do this one time. Mayor Vassel said he didn't have a problem with that.

Councilor Vargas said she agrees with this but she asked who will determine what comments will be going into the Minutes. Councilor Moriarty said that is the hard part. Councilor Vargas asked if Jo-Anne Booth is going to figure this out. Councilor Kochanek said this is why he was telling them to get what they normally would get and then they would get what is being proposed so that they will see how this is going to work out. Councilor Moriarty said they have to understand that they aren't going to take Jo-Anne Booth apart because some things don't go in the Minutes. Councilor Vargas agreed. Councilor Moriarty said this will be a trial and error for Jo-Anne Booth too and the hard part will be for her. Mayor Vassel said absolutely. Councilor Kochanek said if they do this one time then they will at least know where they are going with it.

Councilor Moriarty said the next Town Council meeting is one month away so Jo-Anne Booth will have a month to figure this out. Councilor Kochanek mentioned again how the two sets can be compared. Mayor Vasel said that both sets of Minutes could be done for this evening's meeting because it is a shorter one. Everybody agreed.

Mayor Vasel said they were moving onto the Executive Session now. Councilor Moriarty said he had a couple of questions for Town Manager Scaife. He referred to an article in the *Hartford Courant* today with regards to where people can list their properties and lease them. This website is www.Airbnb.com He gave an example of what was happening in West Hartford where someone was leasing two days to one person and then three days to another even though the Zoning Regulations state that it has to be for thirty days. Mayor Vasel said this would be like a hotel. Councilor Moriarty said exactly. He suggested they go on this website to see if this is being done in Rocky Hill. He thinks that West Hartford contacted all of the people who had been putting listings on this to notify them about the Zoning Regulations with regards to renting property. He explained that this is something they don't want and it wouldn't be fair to the neighbors who live around that particular house where this is happening. Mayor Vasel can't imagine someone renting for two days. Councilor Kochanek said a room can be rented for a day too. Mayor Vasel said he hadn't seen this article but he asked about people who swap houses for a week. Councilor Moriarty doesn't think that is the issue or that that would be a problem. Mayor Vasel said it becomes a rent if it is bartering. Councilor Moriarty told the Town Council that he was just bringing this to their attention and he told them to read this article.

Councilor Moriarty told Town Manager Scaife that he disagrees with him with regards to the picking up of the trash in Town and he referred to the elderly people in this Town who have no family members. Some of these people have been paying taxes in Rocky Hill for sixty, seventy or eighty years. He told Town Manager Scaife that it would be fine if he had to write a procedure or policy for this and he would be happy with that but some people can't get things to the curb. Councilor Moriarty said they have insurance in Town with regards to liability. This has been a service for a long time to the taxpayers in this Town and this hasn't been an issue. There are hardships where some people need this. He said this is his opinion about this.

Executive Session

A. Discussion of Personnel and Organizational Related Matters in Executive Session Pursuant to C.G.S. Sec. 1-200 (6)(A) with the Town Manager

Councilor Szeps made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:40 p.m. for the Discussion of Personnel and Organizational Related Matters Pursuant to C.G.S. Sec 1-200 (6)(A) with the Town Manager. The motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Bell and adopted unanimously by those present. (Councilor Drapeau was absent.)

Councilor Vargas made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilor Moriarty and adopted unanimously by those present. (Councilor Drapeau was absent.)

Adjournment

Councilor Vargas made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Moriarty and adopted unanimously by those present. (Councilor Drapeau was absent.)

As there was no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo-Anne Booth